CCA #14

Navarro River

DESCRIPTION

The Navarro River Watershed is located about 3 miles south of the town of Albion, with approximately 5.5 river miles within in the coastal zone, including the estuary. The watershed encompasses 315 square miles. The five major subdrainage basins include the Mainstem Navarro River, North Fork Navarro River, Indian Creek, Anderson Creek, and Rancheria Creek. Uses of this watershed include water supply and recreational uses, as well as a number of uses associated with the cold freshwater fishery.

This watershed has been impacted by sediment and high temperature, attributable in part to silviculture, grazing, and other Nonpoint Source (NPS) inputs.



Mouth of Navarro River

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REASON FOR CCA IDENTIFICATION

The Navarro River was one of the original CCAs identified in 1995 as an **impaired waterbody that flows into an estuary**.

POLLUTED RUNOFF CONDITIONS

	Top 5 Runoff Pollutants of Concern					
	2002 303(d)- Listed Pollutants TMDL Priority (& Proposed Completion)	Other Pollutants			Efforts to Address Pollutants (See next page)	
Selected Coastal Zone Waterbodies	<u>Sediment</u>	<u>Temperature</u> ¹	Nutrients ²	?	?	
Navarro River ▲	▲ High (2004)	A	A			
Navarro River Delta ■	High (2004)					
Navarro River Estuary •						
	Potential Sources of Pollutants in Coastal Waterbodies					
Agriculture	A	A	A			a, b, e
➤ Crop Production	A					
Grazing	A					
Forestry (Silviculture)	A	A				a, b, c, d, e, f, h, j
> Harvesting & Restoration	A					a, b, c, d, e, f
➤ Logging Roads	A					a, b, c, d, e, f
Urban Areas		A				a, b, e
Construction/Land Development	A					
➤ Highway/Road/Bridge	A					g

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Construction						
Potential Sources of Pollutants, continued	<u>Sediment</u>	Temperature ¹	Nutrients ²	?	?	Efforts to Address Pollutants
Hydromodification		A				a, b, e, h
➤ Flow Regulation/ Diversions	A					
> Streambank Modification	A					
Wetlands & Riparian Areas						a, b, c, e, h, i, j
Removal of Riparian Vegetation	A					
> Drainage/Filling of Wetlands	A					
Erosion/Siltation	A =					a, e, g, h
Habitat Modification	A					a, b, e
Resource Extraction	A					a, e
Unspecified Nonpoint Source	A	A				a, e

¹ Information on temperature as a pollutant of concern is from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

MAJOR EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT NPS MANAGEMENT MEASURES

a) Total Maximum Daily Load (TMD Development	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ northcoast/						
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Ben Zabinsky Board (707) 576-2830			bzabinsky@waterboards.ca.gov				
> Region-wide basin plan amendment to the objectives for water temperature and dissolved oxygen. The objectives focus on the life stage requirements of anadramous salmonids in the North Coast region, include Navarro River.							
b) Navarro Watershed Restoration Pl							
Anderson Valley Land Trust/Mendocino Connie Best (707) 895-3150 County Water Agency		(707) 895-3150	avlt@mcn.org				
> The Plan (1998) discusses land use impacts on water quality and salmonid habitat from forestry, agriculture, and residential/commercial development; develops "recommended land management practices" to protect habitat.							
c) Friends of the Navarro River							
	Steve Hall or	(707) 895-2735	pipsteve@pacific.net				
	Diane Paget	(707) 895-2966					
> Water appropriations, riparian habitat (Riparian Protection Ordinance), and litigation against State Water Resources Control Board, agency watchdog.							
d) Timber Harvest Plan review	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ northcoast/						
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	Christine Wright- Shacklett	(707) 576-2686	cwright- shacklett@waterboards.ca.gov				
➤ Regulatory oversight of numerous projects in the Navarro River watershed; review proposed Timber Harvest plans; issue waivers or Waste Discharge Requirements (permits); Stormwater program regulates construction activities.							
e) Coastal Land Trust							
	rixanne@mcn.org						
> Habitat protection for the estuarine and riverine habitats; conducted water quality monitoring, salmon spawning surveys, wetland habitat inventory, and estuary fish surveys on Albion River.							

² Information on nutrients as a pollutant of concern is from Pete Kalvass, Calif. Dept. of Fish & Game.

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f) (Greenwood Watershed Association	http://www.elksoft.com/gwa/					
Redwood Coast Watershed Alliance Mary Pjerrou (707) 877-3405			pirohuck@mcn.org				
	➤ A nonprofit citizens group for the promotion of sustainable forest practices and the protection of water quality, wildlife, fisheries and other forest resources. GWA is a member of the Redwood Coast Watershed Alliance.						
g)]	Mill Creek Upslope Road Sedimen	http://mrcd.ca.nacdnet.org/					
Mend Distri	docino County Resource Conservation ict	Chamise- Cubbison@ca.nacdnet.org					
	➤ Upgrade 6 miles of Holmes Ranch road system to reduce sediment entering the river system; these road segments are of particular concern due to the amount of sediment they deliver annually into the Mill Creek system.						
h)]	Navarro Watershed Working Grou	http://mrcd.ca.nacdnet.org/					
Mend Distri	locino County Resource Conservation ict	Patty Madigan	(707) 964-0395	pmad@mcn.org			
	➤ Working Group, with Watershed Coordinator, working with local landowners on projects to implement Navarro Watershed Restoration Plan recommendations.						
i)]	Navarro-by-the-Sea Center for Rip	http://navarro-by-the-sea- center.org/aboutus.html					
,		Clinton Smith		email info@navarro-by-the-sea- center.org			
> Collect, preserve and disseminate historic and scientific research about the site of Navarro-by-the-Sea, its historic populations, and the river and estuary ecosystems, through research and education.							
j) Klamath Resource Information System (KRIS) Navarro Project			http://www.krisweb.com/krisna varro/krisdb/html/krisweb/index .htm				
KRIS	KRIS Web Pat Higgins (707) 822-9428			phiggins@humboldt1.com			
> To assemble information useful in salmon recovery planning, KRIS pulls together maps, data tables, charts, photographs and bibliographic resources into an easy-to-use, PC-based computer program.							

REGULATORY/PLANNING JURISDICTIONS

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> Calif. Coastal Commission, Water Quality Unit	http://www.coastal.ca.g ov/nps/npsndx.html	Vanessa Metz	(707) 445-7873	vmetz@coastal.ca.gov
 North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, NPS Complaint Response 	http://www.waterboards .ca.gov/northcoast/	Diana Henrioulle- Henry	(707) 576-2350	dhenrioulle- henry@waterboards.ca.gov
> State Water Resources Control Board	http://www.waterboards _ca.gov/	Heidi Hall	(916) 323-2871	hhall@waterboards.ca.gov
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